AN ORDINANCE

BY: COUNCILMEMBER MICHAELAJ. BONDI Dam St

An ordinance authorizing the Traffic and Transportation Division to evaluate requests and install where appropriate pedestrian crossing lights with extended pedestrian crossing times in high pedestrian zones that have special needs populations such as senior citizens, handicapped persons, small children, etc., and for other purposes.

WHEREAS, there is a substantial special needs population including the elderly in the City of Atlanta; and

WHEREAS, these special needs populations may need more time than is presently allotted to cross at lighted crosswalks; and

WHEREAS, there is an increasing number of vehicles on City of Atlanta roads; and

WHEREAS, the increase in vehicles makes it more difficult for special needs populations to cross the street; and

WHEREAS, it has always been the policy of the City and State to provide extra measures to protect special classes of citizens, such as the elderly and the physically challenged;

WHEREAS, the City has determined that these citizens represent such a class and are deserving of extra measures designed to offer them extra protection.

NOW, THERFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ATLANTA, GEORGIA:

SECTION ONE: That the Department of Public Works, Traffic and Transportation Division is hereby authorized to accept requests and recommendations, to evaluate such requests and where appropriate, as determined by the Traffic and Transportation Division, install new and/or adjust existing traffic control lights allowing for increased time for pedestrian crossing.

SECTION TWO: All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

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